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Docket No.: 44084-443

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277
Takashi MUNAKATA, et al. : Confirmation Number: 9237
Serial No.: 09/526,177 : Group Art Unit: 2624
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Honorable Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated December 12, 2003, now due to expire March 12, 2004, be extended for one month(s) and set to expire on April 12, 2004. Please charge the extension fee of \$110.00 to Deposit Account No. 500417. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500417.

Respectfully submitted,

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